REPORT

THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR,

COMMUNICATING.

In compliance with a resolution of the Senate, statements showing all expenditures from the treasury for public and private purposes in the District of Columbia; the number of town lots originally owned by the United States in Washington; the number sold, and the sum for which sold; the number reserved, and their value; the estimated value of individual property, and the value of government property,

DECEMBER 10, 1858.—Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

DECEMBER 13, 1858.—Referred to the Committee on the District of Columbia. Motion to print referred to the Committee on Printing.

DECEMBER 15, 1858.—Report in favor of printing submitted, considered, and agreed to.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, December 8, 1858.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith the following statements containing the information required to be furnished by the

resolution adopted by the Senate on the 25th May last.

1. Abstract prepared by the Treasury Department "of all the expenditures from the national treasury for public and private purposes in the District of Columbia, (excluding the salaries of public officers,) from the time the seat of government was located at Washington to the close of the" last "fiscal year, specifying the object for which each expenditure was made, and arranging each under its appropriate head as near as may be:" and

2. A communication from the Commissioner of Public Buildings, accompanied by tabular statements "showing the number of town lots originally owned by the United States in the city of Washington; the number sold, and the sum for which they were sold; the number reserved, and their value;" the estimated "assessed value of individual property in the city of Washington for the year 1858, and the value of the government property, excluding the public archives and books."

With great respect, your obedient servant,

J. THOMPSON, Secretary.

Hon. J. C. Breckinridge, President of the Senate.

Office of the Commissioner of Public Buildings, December 3, 1858.

SIR: In compliance with the request made in your letter of the 9th of June last, I herewith transmit to you a statement containing certain information in relation to the landed and personal property in the city of Washington, which was called for by a resolution of the Senate of May 25, 1858.

Great care has been taken in the preparation of the statement, and, so far as the facts were derived from the files and records of this

office, it may be relied upon as accurate.

The government originally owned ten thousand one hundred and eighteen lots, and in this number there are fifty-five which, though designated as lots, are actually undivided squares. It is proper to remark that, in the division of squares and lots, there was no uniformity observed as to area. Some squares are much larger than others, and the same is true of the lots. Many of the squares are sub-divided into as many as seventy or eighty lots, whilst some of the same area are divided only into two lots; and there are others of equal dimensions that remain undivided.

Although nine thousand two hundred and twenty lots have been reported as sold, yet, upon a proper investigation as to the manner in which they were disposed of, it is believed that some of them would

prove to be the property of the government.

The sum for which the government lots have been sold is \$811,642 58, which was not paid into the treasury, but was expended from time to time, in the erection of public buildings and other improvements in the city. Much difficulty was encountered in arriving at the amount of sales of lots. The early reports of sales are very inaccurate and imperfect. A considerable number of lots are reported as having been sold and deeds made, for which there is no evidence, so far as can be discovered from the books in this office, that the purchase money was at the time or has since been paid.

There are one hundred and eighteen lots remaining unsold. The government title to these lots is clear and indisputable. Their assessed value is \$6,969 30. All of them have been offered at public sale, but there were no purchasers. They are situated, for the most part, on the outskirts of the city, and are considered at the present

time of very little, if any, real value.

Seven hundred and eighty lots have been donated to Georgetown and Columbian Colleges, and St. Vincent and Washington City Orphan Asylums. These donations were made by acts of Congress in the following manner, viz: \$25,000 worth to Georgetown College; \$25,000 worth to Columbian College; \$10,000 worth to St. Vincent Orphan Asylum, and \$10,000 worth to the Washington City Orphan Asylum; making in the whole the sum of \$70,000—the lots to be selected and valued by the Commissioner of Public Buildings.

The city assessors have not made their returns of the assessment of individual property for the year 1858, and will not be able to do so for some time to come. The only mode, therefore, of ascertaining the amount of the value of individual property was, to take as a basis the statement of the tax clerk for 1856, which embraced all the assessable property at that date. The improvements since made, together with the increase in the valuation of property for the present over the general assessment made five years ago, it was concluded, on consultation with the city assessors, would amount to $33\frac{1}{3}$ per cent. The assessed value of individual property in 1856, was \$26,040,318, and $33\frac{1}{3}$ per cent. upon the amount added to it will swell the sum to \$34,720,424, which I presume will differ very little from the general assessment for the present year when it has been perfected and returned.

To ascertain the value of the public reservations, I had recourse to the mayor, who promptly instructed two of the sworn assessors of the city carefully to examine them and determine their value precisely in the same manner they would assess individual property. I herewith send you the letter of the mayor addressed to me, and the letter

and statement of the assessors to which it refers.

The value of the public buildings, furniture, &c., was made up from a statement of the expenditures for those and other objects in the District of Columbia, as called for by the resolution of the Senate, and which was prepared by your request at the Treasury Department. It is to be regretted that the precise cost of each of the public buildings could not be stated, as doubtless it would give great satisfaction; but owing to some of the appropriations embracing several buildings, that information cannot be arrived at, without a careful examination and dissection of the accounts and vouchers of the several superintendents of their construction, which would be a work requiring much more time for its faithful execution than that specified in the resolution.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

JNO. B. BLAKE, Commissioner.

Hon. Jacob Thompson, Secretary of the Interior.

A statement in relation to the property in the City of Washington, owned by the United States and individuals, prepared in pursuance of a resolution of the Senate of May 25, 1858.

Number of lots originally owned by the U. S.	Number of lots sold by the United States.	The sum for which they were sold.	The number unsold so far as the title is clearly in the Government.	Their assessed value.	The number of lots donated to Georgetown and Columbian Colleges, St. Vincent's, and Washington city Orphan Asylums.	Their assessed value.	The assessed value of individual property, real and personal.	The assessed value of Government reservations, exclusive of the reservations formed by the intersections of streets and avenues.	Cost of public buildings, including furniture, statuary, and painting.
10, 118	9,220	\$811,642 58	118	\$6,969 30	780	\$70,000 00	\$34,720,424 00	\$13, 412, 293 36	\$14,709,338 09

JNO. B. BLAKE, Commissioner.

Office of the Commissioner of Public Buildings, December 3, 1858.

Statement of expenditures incurred in the erection of public buildings in the city of Washington, prepared from a statement of the Register of the Treasury, dated September 11,1858, of "all the expenditures from the national treasury for public and private purposes in the District of Columbia, excluding the salaries of public officers," &c.

	Amount.	Amount.
Public buildings in Washington		\$1,515,966 32
Capitol,		
Erecting the Capitol, including alterations and repairs	\$1,314,731 52 185,877 15 70,542 00 10,000 00 690,000 00 3,635,000 00 130,000 00 1,750 00	4 007 000 07
President's House.		6,037,900 67
Additions, alterations, and repairsErection of stables and conservatory	158,675 84 20,000 00	178,675 84
Two additional executive offices		191, 756 71 54, 838 66 77, 777 97 27, 374 96
City Hall.		
To reimburse the corporation of Washington the cost of erecting half of the City Hall building	30,000 00	41 115 06
Navy yard.		41, 115 00
Navy yard at Washington, D. C	1,655,977 73 9,360 14 12,513 53	1 657 051 44
General Post Office.		1,677,851 40
Erecting a fire-proof building for the General Post Office- Continuation of the General Post Office building	477,052 71 800,000 00	1,277,052 7
Treasury building.		1,211,002 1
Erecting a fire-proof building for the Treasury Department. Furnishing rooms in the Treasury Department. Continuation of the Treasury building.	667,974 00 5,000 00 994,403 47	
Patent Office building.		1,667,377 45
Erecting a fire-proof building for the Patent Office		

STATEMENT—Continued.

	Amount		Amount.	
Patent Office building—Continued. Erection of the west wing of the Patent Office, and completing the drain of said building	\$649,107 49,000 210,000 500 15,000 20,000	98 00 00 00	\$1,759,050 200,000	
For extending the propagating department of Botanic Garden, and introducing water into the same			2,600	00
			14,709,338	08

The expenditures on account of the building of the Smithsonian Institution is not included in the foregoing statement, because they could not be ascertained from the treasury statement from which it was prepared. The cost of the building, as ascertained from the Secretary of the Institution, was \$325,000.

JNO B. BLAKE, Commissioner.

Office of the Commissioner of Public Buildings, December 3, 1858.

Washington City, September 22, 1858.

Sir: In reply to your letter of the 15th instant, I have the honor to enclose to you herewith a statement of the reservations which now belong to the government in the city of Washington, showing the area of each in square feet and in acres. I found, on examination, that the areas of many of these reservations, as shown upon a statement on the books in the office of the Commissioner of Public Buildings, were incorrect, and therefore have made and now submit original computations of all except those which are bounded by the river. It will be perceived that I have not included in the statement now submitted the areas of the public spaces designed on the plan of the city at the numerous intersections of the streets and avenues. They have been omitted because I do not understand the Senate resolution or your letter of the 15th as intending to include them. Should it be the wish of the department, I will be glad to determine the plans for their enclosure and to compute their areas.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

RANDOLPH COYLE.

Hon. Jacob Thompson, Secretary of the Interior.

No.		AREA	
110.		Square feet.	Acres.
1	The President's square, extending from the public street in front of the mansion to Canal street, and from 15th to 17th st.	3, 516, 791	80.7344
	The square originally a part of the President's square, now commonly called Lafayette square	304, 694	6.9948
2	The Capitol square and mall, comprising the public grounds, enclosed and unenclosed, surrounding the Capitol, between 1st streets east and west, and B streets north and south.	2, 121, 141	48.6946
	The grounds between 1st and 3d streets west, and Maryland and Pennsylvania avenues, (botanic garden)	514, 246	11.8054
	The mall between 3d and 4½ streets, and Missouri avenue and the canal	88, 175	2.0242
	The mall between 3d and 44 streets, and Maine avenue and the canal.	88, 967	2.0424
	The mall between Missouri avenue and the canal, west of $4\frac{1}{2}$ street.	330, 212	7.5806
	The mall south of the canal, between 45 and 7th streets, (armory square)	751, 338	17, 2483
	The mall between 7th and 12th streets	2, 289, 192	52, 5525
	The mall between 12th and 14th streets	1, 378, 172	31.6384
3	The park and part of the mall, being the whole of the public grounds west of 14th street to Tiber creek and the Potomac.	1,956,789	44. 9217
4	Observatory square, originally designated as University square	839,074	19. 2625
5	The arsenal at Greenleaf's Point. The original ground 1, 249, 900 square feet $= 28.6937$ acres.		201010
	The arsenal at Greenleaf's Point. The recent purchase 1, 805, 017 square feet = 41. 4379 acres.	3, 054, 917	70. 1316
6	The Western market, entirely covered by water, being south of north B street, between 20th and 21st streets west		
7	The Centre market, comprising the space between 7th and 9th streets west, B or Canal street, and Penn and La. avenues.	161, 201	3.7006
8	The Patent Office square, originally designated as The National Church square	181, 221	4. 1603
9	Judiciary square	836, 374	19.2005
13	Judiciary square The Hospital square, on the Eastern branch, (ast of 19th street east	3, 361, 199	77. 1627
14	The Navy Yard	1,871,333	42.9600
5 & 16	The Eastern market	112,878	2.5913
17	The reservation south of the Capitol, at the convergence of New Jersey, Virginia, and North and South Carolina avenues.	1,036,191	23.7876
	The Marine barracks, square 927	156, 179	3.5853
	Franklin square, square 249	174, 418	4.0040
	General Post Office square, square 430	64, 300	1.4761
	Total	25, 189, 002	578.0026
	Reservations 10, 11, and 12 were divided into lots and sold per act of Congress of May 7, 1822.		

Mayor's Office, Washington, October 6, 1858.

Sir: In compliance with your request, I designated Messrs. Jones and Smallwood, two of the sworn assessors of the city, to value the government reservations, and I herewith enclose their letter and a detailed statement of the valuation they have placed upon them. They were instructed to be accurate in the discharge of this duty, and, from the attention they gave to it and the high estimation in which they are held by their fellow-citizens as gentlemen of sound, discriminating judgment and fairness, they have doubtless arrived at as near the actual value of the property as it was possible. The cost or value of the public buildings is not included in their statement. That information, I presume, may be obtained at the Treasury Department with perfect accuracy.

I suppose the cost of the public buildings is nearly if not quite equal to the value of the reservations, and both sums added together cannot be far from the assessed value of all the taxable property in

the city.

The resolution of the Senate, if it does no other good, will at least disclose to the country the remarkable fact that nearly one-half of the property within the corporate limits is exempt from taxation, and does not therefore contribute anything to the support of our municipal government.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

JAMES G. BERRET,

Mayor.

John B. Blake, Esq., Commissioner of Public Buildings.

Washington, October 5, 1858.

SIR: The undersigned, in pursuance of the authority vested in them by appointment of your honor under a resolution of the United States Senate, have the honor to transmit herewith a statement of the valuation of all the public reservations belonging to the government within the corporate limits of the City of Washington, with the exception of certain spaces formed by the numerous intersections of streets and avenues, the areas of which have not been furnished to them by the government engineer.

We have the honor to be, your obedient servants,

GEORGE F. SMALLWOOD, ZEPHANIAH JONES.

Assessors.

Hon. James G. Berret, Mayor of Washington.

No.		Area, in acres.	Area, in square feet.	Value per ft.	Amount.
1	The President's square, extending from the public street in front of the Mansion to Canal street, and from 15th to 17th streets	80.7344	3, 516, 791	\$1 00	\$3,516,791
. 1	The square originally a part of the "President's square," now commonly called "Lafayette square"	6. 9958	304, 694	1 50	457,041 0
2 2 2	"The Capitol square and Mall," comprising— The public grounds, enclosed and unenclosed surrounding the Capitol between 1st streets east and west, and B streets north and south The grounds between 1st and 3d streets west, and Maryland and Pennsylvania avenues,	48. 6946	2, 121, 141	1 50	3, 181, 711 5
0	("Botanic Garden")	11.8054	514, 246	2 00	1,028,492
2	The Mall, between 3d and 4½ streets, and Maine avenue and the canal	2. 0424	88, 967	25.	22, 241 7
2 2	The Mall, between 3d and $4\frac{1}{2}$ streets, and Missouri avenue and the canal		88, 175	1 00	88, 175
2	The Mall, between Missouri avenue and the canal, west of $4\frac{1}{2}$ street.	7.5806	330, 212	1 00	330, 212
2	The Mall, south of the canal, between $4\frac{1}{2}$ and 7th streets, ("Armory square")	17. 2483	751, 338	30	225, 401 4
2	The Mall, between 7th and 12th streets. The Mall, between 12th and 14th streets.	52. 5525	2, 289, 192	30	686,757
3	"The Park" and part of the "Mall," being the whole of the public grounds west of 14th	31. 6384	1, 378, 172	30	413, 451
9	street to Tiber creek and Potomac.	44. 9217	1 050 700	30	FOT 090 1
4	"Observatory square," originally designated as "University square"	19. 2625	1, 956, 789	8	587, 036
5	The Arsenal, at Greenleaf's Point; the original ground, 1,249,900 square feet—28.6937 acres.	19. 2025	839,074	0	67, 125
5	The Arsenal, at Greenleaf's Point; the recent purchase, 1,805,017 square feet—41. 4379 acres.	70.1316	3,054,917	10	305, 491
6	"The Western Market," entirely covered by water, being south of North B street, between 20th and 21st streets west	,			
7	"The Centre Market," comprising the space between 7th and 9th streets west, B or Canal street and Pennsylvania and Louisiana avenues.	9 7000	101 001	0.50	**************************************
. 0	The Patent Office square, originally designated as the National Church square	3. 7006	161, 201	3 50	564, 203
0	"Judiciary square"	4. 1603	181, 221	1 75	317, 136
13	"The Hospital square," on the Eastern Branch, east of 19th street east.	19. 2005 77. 1627	836, 374 3, 361, 199	1 00 01	836, 374
40	The troublet square, on the baselin branch, cast of 19th Sifett Cast	11. 1021	5, 501, 199	01	33, 611

STATEMENT—Continued.

No.		Area, in acres	Area, in square feet.	Value per ft.	Amount.
14	"The Navy Yard"	42.9600		\$0 20	\$374,266 60
15 & 16 17	"The Eastern Market"————————————————————————————————————	2. 5913	112,878	15	16, 931 70
	Carolina, and South Carolina avenues	23.7876	1,036,191	10	103, 619 10
	The Marine Barracks, square 927	3.5853	156, 179	25	39,044 75
	"Franklin square" square —	4.0040	174,418	60	104,650 80
	General Post Office square, square 430	1. 4761	64, 300	1 75	112,525 00
	Total	578.26	25, 189, 002		13, 412, 293 26

Reservations 10, 11, and 12, were divided into lots, and sold, per act of Congress of May 7, 1822.

GEORGE F. SMALLWOOD, ZEPHANIAH JONES, Assessors.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, September 13, 1858.

Sir: As requested in your letter of the 9th June last, I have the honor to transmit herewith a statement prepared by the Register of the Treasury, showing "all the expenditures from the national treasury for public and private purposes in the District of Columbia, (excluding the salaries of public officers,) from the time the seat of government was located at Washington to the close of the fiscal year

ending June 30, 1858."

The table "showing the number of town lots originally owned by the United States in Washington City, which have been sold, and the sum for which they have been sold," cannot be furnished, as the material from which such a table could have been prepared was destroyed by the burning of the Treasury in 1814. It is probable that the information can be obtained from the office of the Commissioner of Public Buildings.

The copy of the resolution is herewith returned.

I am, very respectfully,

HOWELL COBB, Secretary of the Treasury.

Hon. J. Thompson, Secretary of the Interior.

Statement of all the expenditures from the national treasury for public and private purposes in the District of Columbia, (excluding the salaries of public officers,) from the time the seat of government was located at Washington to the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1858.

Public buildings in Washington	\$1,515,966	32	
Erecting the Capitol, including alterations and repairs	1, 314, 731	52	
Repairs of the Capitol, &c	8,000	00	
Alteration and repairs of the Capitol	93, 241	26	
Repairs of the Capitol, water-closets, public stables, &c	11,000	00	
Enclosing and improving Capitol square	221, 220	86	
Statues and busts for the Capitol	105,833	95	
Furniture for the Capitol	80,043	20	
Foundation for colossal statue of Washington in rotundo of the Capitol			
Erecting statue of Washington in rotundo of the Capitol.	5,000	00	
Lighting with gas the Capitol and Capitol grounds	11,050	59	
Extra work done in making necessary fixtures for lighting the Capitol with			
gas	2,877	18	
Purchase and erection of lamps and lamp-posts of iron, and for laying gas			
pipes, &c., in the Capitol grounds	4,951	71	
Removing mast and lantern above the dome of the Capitol	323		
Paying Washington Gas Company for lighting the Capitol and grounds,			
including fixtures	2,000	00	
Lighting the Capitol and President's House, the public grounds around			
them, &c.	121, 305	00	
Repairs and removal of gas ripes through the Capitol	3,500		
Painting the Capitol	18,064		
Painting and repairs inside of the Capitol, &c.	5,000		
Painting and repairs inside of the Capitol, new furnace under the Senate	0,000		
chamber, &c	500	00	
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Paintings for the rotundo of the Capitol	\$70,542	00
Four historical paintings for rotundo of the Capitol	10,000	00
water	82,605	30
Repairs of water pipes at the Capitol	1,000	00
Improving public grounds north, south, and west of the Capitol Purchase of two thousand feet of six-inch iron water pipe to conduct	2,500	00
water to the Capitol, &c	2,500	00
President of the United States, &c	690,000	
Extension of the United States Capitol. Expenses incurred in the extinguishment of the fire in the Library room at	3,635,000	
the Capitol	5,000	
Repairs of the Congressional Library room destroyed by fire—————For fitting up document room to receive temporarily a portion of the	96, 500	
books of the Congressional Library———————————————————————————————————	1, 138 1, 500	
Permanent repairs of the roof of the Capitol with copper	2,000	
Removing fences, grading streets, &c., preparatory to the extension of the Capitol square	3,000	
Removing the dome of the Capitol	105,000	
Dome of the Capitol of the United States	130,000	
Furnishing and ornamenting the Capitol with works of art, &c	1,750	00
For furnishing and putting up new furnaces and repairing old ones, &c., for	1 500	00
the House of Representatives Building to accommodate Congress, including rent	4,500 19,355	
Completing room under post office of the Senate	4, 451	
For flagging footway in the Congressional Burying Ground, from the en-		Will.
trance of the same to the government vault	2,200	00
To enable the Commissioner of Public Buildings to provide additional fur-	0 -00	0.0
naces for the Library of Congress President's House, additions, alterations, and repairs	2,500 $158,675$	
Alteration and repairs of the President's House, &c	73, 931	
Accommodations of the President's household, furniture, &c	223,805	
Furnishing the President's House, &c.	43,897	
Grading and improving the President's square	59,584	
Grading, draining, &c., the grounds south of the President's House, &c Filling the low grounds south of the President's House	50,770	
For extending sewers from the executive departments and the President's		
House to the canal, &c	32,000	
dent's gate	3, 931	
steps of the western portico, &c.	3,000	
Painting exterior of the President's House below the cornice Heating and ventilating the Executive Mansion, &c.	1,050 $32,525$	
Repairing or removing water fixtures at the President's House	2,000	
Footway on the north front of the President's House, &c	4,809	28
Erection of stables and conservatory at the President's House, &c	20,000	00
Extending the gas pipes and providing lamp-posts, lamps, and burners in front of the Executive Mansion	5, 339	10
For expenses incurred in bringing gas pipes, &c., into and around the		
northeast executive building	398 191, 756	
Smithsonian Institution	648, 684	
Expenses of the Smithsonian Institution	278, 191	
Expenses of the Smithsonian Institution, per act August 10, 1848	257, 584	
Smithsonian Institution founded at Washington for the increase and dif-	#0 00F	00
fusion of knowledge among men Jail in the city of Washington	70, 265 54, 838	
Jail in the county of Alexandria, District of Columbia.	11, 699	
To defray expenses incurred in preparing plans, and estimate costs of a	,	15.19
new jail for the District of Columbia, &c.	500	
Building penitentiary, District of Columbia	77,777	
Support and maintenance of the penitentiary in the District of Columbia. Insane hospital in the District of Columbia.	316, 679 10, 000	
and along the the District of Contilling.	1.0,000	0.00

To enable the Secretary of the Interior, under the direction of the President of the United States, to purchase a site in the neighborhood of Washington Company.	f	00
Washington for erecting an asylum for insane Erection of a barn and carpenter's shop at the Insane Asylum, District or	f	
Columbia	7,200	
For enclosing the grounds of the Insane Asylum, District of Columbia To aid the directors of the Washington Infirmary to enlarge their accom-		00
modations for the benefit of sick transient paupers	20,000	00
Support of insane persons in the District of Columbia, including liquida- tion and settlement of debts due to Maryland for support of insane		
paupers	30, 296	24
Support, clothing, &c., of insane paupers, District of Columbia		36
Payment on account of principal and interest of loan made by State of Maryland to city of Washington	290.874	84
Support and maintenance of insane paupers in the District of Columbia	A THE PARTY OF	
and Baltimore Support of insane paupers in the District of Columbia, (pauper lunatics of	7,169	75
Baltimore)	40,029	89
Support, attention, and medical treatment of twelve transient paupers,		
medical or surgical, in the Washington Infirmary	14, 250	
Support of eighteen transient paupers, &c, in the District of Columbia. Maintenance and tuition of deaf, dumb, or blind pupils for the District of		00
Columbia in the Columbia Institute	1,600	75
Columbia in the Columbia Institute Support, clothing, and medical treatment of the insane of the District of Columbia	20,500	00
Support of the Military Asylum for the relief and support of disabled		00
soldiers of the United StatesSupport, clothing, and medical treatment of the insane of the District of	118,791	19
Columbia and of the army and navy		00
Erection of a lodge for colored insane, fences, repairs of farm-house, ten		
cows for use of asylum, &c	12,020	00
erection of a public bridge on the site thereof		00
Erecting a bridge across the Potomac river at Washington———————————————————————————————————		25
river at Washington		70
Repairs of the Potomac Bridge, District of Columbia	71, 104	
To reimburse the expenditure made by the Commissioner of Public Buildings for the repairs of the Potomac bridge		00
For a bridge across the Potomac river at Little Falls.		
Purchase of one or both of the bridges over the Eastern Branch	30,000	
Repairs of the bridges on the Eastern Branch of the Potomac river, &c	21,999	
Improving the navigation of the Potomac river between Alexandria and		
Georgetown, and for other purposes		
Repairing the roof of the court house in Alexandria		
Loan made to the city of Washington		
For the benefit of the city of Washington		
Relief of the several corporated cities of the District of Columbia		29
Columbia, assumed by the United States Improvements in the city of Washington, under twelfth section of act of	780,000	00
Congress approved May 17, 1848	23, 268	62
To complete the grades in the city of Washington, under direction of the President of the United States.	13, 250	na
To enable the Secretary of the Interior to purchase a suitable number of		09
iron settees to be placed in the public grounds, &c.	1,840	00
To enable the Secretary of the Interior to purchase five hundred burial lots		00
in the Congressional burying ground	5,000 9,359	
Expenditure on account of the public burying grounds.————————————————————————————————————		
granite coping used in the improvement of the triangular square, &c.		47
For erecting suitable buildings in Washington city for the preservation of the ordnance and arms of the volunteers and militia of the District of		
Columbia	27,374	96
To reimburse the corporation of Washington the amount advanced to		160
complete culvert, &c.	2,309	90

To reimburse the corporation of Washington the cost of erecting half of	de gooneg	
the City Hall building.	\$30,000	
Apartments in the City Hall for the Circuit Court of the United States Alterations and improvements in the court-room in the City Hall, at	11, 115	00
Washington, D. C.	2,500	00
Enclosing with a substantial wooden fence, &c., the low grounds on the	2,000	00
canal, between Third and Sixth streets	2,500	00
Purchase of the rights of the Washington Canal Company	150,000	00
Completing the Alexandria canal, District of Columbia	300,000	00
Aqueduct across the Potomac river, at or near Georgetown, District of	100 000	00
Continuation of the Weshington Aquadust	100,000	
Continuation of the Washington Aqueduct	1,285,036	99
canal which passes through and along the public grounds	40,000	00
Navy yard at Washington city, District of Columbia	1,655,977	
Timber sheds at Washington	9,360	
Removing and rebuilding monument in navy yard, Washington	2,300	00
Payment for property destroyed by burning the navy yard at Washington	.00-	00
in 1844	225	00
Repairs of the Potomac, Navy Yard, and upper bridges, and to refund to the Commissioner of Public Buildings \$3,000 advanced to him by the		
city of Washington, District of Columbia	26,000	00
Hospital at Washington, District of Columbia	417	
Magazine at Washington, District of Columbia	12,513	
Bringing water into the city of Washington	180,000	
Repairs of water-pipes	200	
Purchase and repairs of tools for laborers	1,755	45
To enable the President of the United States to employ Clark Mills to		
erect at the city of Washington a colossal equestrian statue of George Washington, &c.	25,000	00
To enable the President of the United States to compensate Clark Mills for	20,000	00
the execution of the equestrian statue of Andrew Jackson	20,000	00
For erecting a pedestal in Lafayette square for the equestrian statue of		
Andrew Jackson, and enclosing the same	8,500	
Post Office and Patent Office, including purchase of old building lots, &c	82,500	
Erecting a fire-proof building for the General Post Office	477,052	71
Purchase of remainder of the square on which the General Post Office build ngs are situated	22, 150	00
Purchase of ground north of the General Post Office building	9,877	
Repairs of the General Post Office building, office furniture, painting, &c-	5,083	
Painting the interior of the General Post Office building, including pas-		
sages, &c	5,000	
Continuation of the General Post Office building	800,000	
Erecting a fire-proof building for the Treasury Department	667, 974	
Furnishing rooms in the Treasury Department Painting walls of the Treasury Department and Patent Office	16,600 $5,000$	
Lighting and ventilating the upper story of the Treasury building	15,000	
Continuation of the Treasury building	994, 403	
Erecting a fire-proof building for the Patent Office	417,550	
For casual repairs of the Patent Office building	5, 200	
Contingent expenses of the east wing of the Patent Office, &c.	100	
For completing the east wing of the Patent Office building	397,892	40
Erection of the west wing of the Patent Office building, and completing	649, 107	00
the drain of said building, &c Erection of the west wing of the Patent Office building, and completing	043, 101	30
the drains of said building and Post Office building	49,000	00
Altering the streets and repairing in front of the east wing of the Patent	20,000	
Office, &c	14, 250	00
Finishing the front of the basement of the centre building of the Patent	o' a said and a said and a said a	
Office, &c.	3, 200	00.
Flooring the basement rooms in the old portion of the Patent Office	2,000	00
building, &c	2,000	00
building, &c	5,730	00
Repairing old portion of the Patent Office building, constructing water-	, , ,	176+
closets therein, &c	3,000	00

Repairing old portion of the Patent Office building	\$1,000	00
glazing, and extending seed room and greenhouse	6,000	00
Erection of the north front of the Patent Office building. Furnishing rooms of the new wing of the Patent Office building, and pro-	210,000	
viding the saloon with cases for models	500	00
of the United States exploring expedition, and others, in geology, &c_ For the expense of the transfer of collections of the United States explor-	15,000	00,
ing expedition, and the permanent arrangement of the cases	2,000	00
of models, &c	20,000	00
United States	1,000	
ditional furniture, fixtures, &c	5,000	
Fire-engines, hose, and engine houses for the public buildings	34, 478	
Rebuilding engine house of the Columbia Fire Company, on Capitol Hill.	2,500	00
Purchase of fire-engines	600	
triangular space on Pennsylvania avenue,, Improvement of public squares, other than the Capitol and President's, and	11,000	000
the streets adjoining	24 561	07
Grading done by order of Ignatius Mudd, late Commissioner of Public	34, 561	31
Buildings, &c	484	80
Miscellaneous expenditures relating to public buildings, grounds, &c	179,574	
	209, 493	
Improving Pennsylvania avenue Paving and repairing Pennsylvania avenue		
	45, 915	
Repairs of Pennsylvania avenue. Lighting Pennsylvania avenue, from Capitol square to the Treasury De-	7,000	
partment, &c	47,516	
Sprinkling Pennsylvania avenue during the session of Congress	1,061	87
For continuing of improvements of Pennsylvania avenue around the Capi-	17 500	00
tol grounds, &c	17,500	
For repairing Pennsylvania avenue at the intersection of 7th street	5,000	
Paving remainder of Centre space of Pennsylvania avenue————Grading and paving with round stones the carriage way of Pennsylvania	5, 255	
avenue, from 17th street to Rock creek, &c	43,700	
Continuing sewer under Pennsylvania avenue, east line of 14th street Enlarging the culverts, and openings into the same, across Pennsylvania	3,000	00
avenue, &c	3,928	36
Placing sewer openings along Pennsylvania avenue, &c For defraying the expenses incurred in the improvement, &c., of the tri-	8,000	00
angular space north side of Pennsylvania avenue, between 13th and		
14th streets. Enclosing with iron fence and otherwise improving the triangular space	5, 192	00.
north side of Pennsylvania avenue, opposite the market house, be- tween 7th and 8th streets.	4,500	00
Enclosing with iron fence and otherwise improving the triangular space		
north side of Pennsylvania avenue	3,360	00
Erecting lamp-posts and lamps on both sides of Pennsylvania avenue Furnishing lamps and lamp-posts from 16th to 17th streets, on Pennsyl-	4,900	00
vania avenue	500	00
Erecting cast iron lamp-posts, and lighting the same with gas, from the western termination of Pennsylvania avenue	4,000	00
Grading University square	22,543	
For the purchase of a building, corner of F and 17th streets	200,000	
Enclosing Circle, at intersection of Pennsylvania avenue with New Hamp- shire avenue	4,500	
Enclosing triangular space upon which the western market house recently stood with iron fence	5,000	
For improving that part of reservation seventeen lying between New Jersey avenue and 2d street.	(Smith in	
For grading, gravelling, &c., New Jersey avenue, north of the Capitol	2,500	
For grading, gravening, &c., New Jersey avenue, north of the Capitol	22,000	
For improving New Jersey avenue, south of the Capitol	4,000	00

Grading, gravelling, repairing side-walks, building culverts, &c., New	60 000	00
Jersey avenue, from the Capitol to the public reservation No. 5, &c- Completing the grading and gravelling of New Jersey avenue	\$2,000 7,000	
Grading and gravelling Indiana avenue, from 3d street to Capitol Hill,	11 004	
and constructing culvert	11, 284 11, 833	
Grading and gravelling Indiana avenue, from 3d street to Capitol Hill	381	
Grading, gravelling, and completing the culvert across Tiber creek, on		
Indiana avenue	6,000	
Grading, gravelling, &c., 4½ street, &c	4,750 $1,199$	
Grading $4\frac{1}{2}$ street south——————————For completing the gravelling on $4\frac{1}{2}$ street, from Maryland avenue to the		
Arsenal groundsFor taking up and relaying, &c., as much as has been washed away at the		80
sewer along 15th street, &c	2,999	98
Paving remainder of centre space of 15th street.	12,700	
Paving 15th street west	172	
Sewer under 15th street Grading and improving Maryland avenue, from 7th street to the Potomac	2, 160	12
bridge	12,420	72
Grading and paving with round stone 17th street, from Pennsylvania		
avenue to the north side of New York avenue, &c	5,500	00
to south B street	9,000	00
Construction of a sewer in Judiciary square	6,000	00
For filling up ravine in Judiciary square	3,000	
Continuing improvements of Judiciary square, repairing fences, &c	6,000	
Improving the grounds in Lafayette square, and fencing the same For furnishing brick pavement on the south front of Lafayette square	5,000	
Enclosing Lafayette square with an iron fence, including four gates	1,000 20,303	
Defraying the expenses incurred in the improvement of Lafayette square.	5, 266	
For public reservation No. 2, Lafayette square	12,000	
Purchase of one dozen settees for Lafayette square	175	00
For furnishing lamp-posts and lamps on the north, east, and west sides of Lafayette square, &c.	1,350	00
Filling up, grading, and otherwise improving Franklin square	5,906	
Grading, enclosing, &c., public mall, from 7th street to the Potomac river.	8,628	
Completing the grading, &c., of the mall, from 6th street to the Potomac river	4 054	20
Completing the grading, and planting with trees and enclosing the public	4,954	40
mall, from 3d street to the Potomac river	13,000	00
Completing the grading, planting with trees, and enclosing with a wooden fence the mall, from 6th street westward	763	50
For purchase of trees and hire of laborers in the improvement of reserva-		
tion No. 2, on public mall———————————————————————————————————	5, 276	52
of the mall	27,500	00
Planting and mishing the roads and walks through that portion of the		
public mall surrounding the Smithsonian Institution Laying of gas pipes from 15th street to President's House, and branch pipe	7,500	00
through the house, &c	5,000	00
Laying gas pipes from main pipe at Capitol to 15th street, on both sides of Pennsylvania avenue, &c	10,000	00
Laying gas pipe between Capitol and 15th street, &c	3,000	
Enclosing and preparing public grounds for nursery	750	
For extending the propagating department of the Botanic garden, and		0.0
introducing water into the same, &c Expenses of taking care of and preserving botanical and horticultural speci-	2,600	00
mens brought home by exploring expedition	3,400	00
site, &c., &c	5,000	00
Filling up and draining grounds in the vicinity of the national greenhouse	18,650	00
Removing fences, grading streets, &c	12,000	
Purchase of tree boxes, leather, wire, and twine for the public buildings	250 1,000	
Purchase of trees for the mall and other public grounds	1,000	00

Purchase of tree boxes to replace, when necessary, such as planted by the United States, &c			\$22,680 7,000 6,600	00
			24, 721, 301	67
From which deduct excess of repayments beyond expenditures, ments where there are no expenditures, &c.:	and rep	ay-		
On account of completing the grading, planting with trees, and enclosing with wooden fence the mall, from 6th				
street westward to the Potomac river	\$717	79		
Grading and improving Maryland avenue, from 17th street to				
the Potomac bridge.	3,420	72		
Furnishing the President's house	71	48		
Cast iron fence, from corner of Department of State to the				
President's gate	412	58		
Enclosing Circle at the termination of Pennsylvania avenue		00		
with New Hampshire avenue and K street, &c	580	99		
Completing the east wing of the Patent Office building, &c	546	14	~ 710	W 4
		_	5,749	51
Total			24, 715, 552	16
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